FEBRUARY 28, 1925.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. Smith, from the Committee on Irrigation and Reclamation, submitted the following

## REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 12439]

The Committee on Irrigation and Reclamation have considered the bill H. R. 12439, and recommend its passage.

There is herewith submitted and made a part of this report Senate Report 1233, Sixty-eighth Congress on S. 4377, which passed the Senate February 27, 1925.

[Senate Report No. 1233, Sixty-eighth Congress, second session]

The Committee on Irrigation and Reclamation, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4377) to permit a compact or agreement between the States of Washington, (S. 4377) to permit a compact or agreement between the States of Washington, Idaho, Oregon, and Montana respecting the disposition and apportionment of the waters of the Columbia River and its tributaries, and for other purposes, having had the same under consideration, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

There follow, as part of this report, letters from Hon. Hubert Work, Secretary of the Interior, and Hon. John W. Weeks, Secretary of War, to whom the bill was referred for report and comment.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, February 25, 1925.

Hon. CHARLES L. McNARY, Chairman Committee on Irrigation and Reclamation, United States Senate.

My Dear Senator McNary: I have your request for report upon S. 4377, a bill to permit a compact or agreement between the States of Washington, Idaho, Oregon, and Montana, subject to the approval of the legislatures of said States and of Congress, respecting the disposition and apportionment of the waters of the Columbia River and its tributaries.

In reply I have to advise you that this department has no objection to interpose to the enactment. Sincerely yours,

HUBERT WORK, Secretary.

WAR DEPARTMENT, Washington, February 25, 1925.

Hon. Charles L. McNary, United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

My Dear Senator McNary: The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 24th instant relative to S. 4377, "To permit a compact or agreement between the States of Washington, Idaho, Oregon, and Montana respecting the disposition and apportionment of the waters of the Columbia River and its tributaries, and for other purposes."

In reply I would inform you that I know of no objection to the favorable consideration of the bill, so far as the interests committed to this department

are concerned. Sincerely yours,

JOHN W. WEEKS, Secretary of War.